

Ch. 7

Puberty Disorders

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I Precocious puberty

- D.F: puberty before age 9yrs
- more in female 4:1

• Classification:

(A) Contra sexual:

- The Boy show → signs of Feminization (gynecomastia)
- Caused By → ↑↑ estrogen
 - ↳ adrenal Tumors
 - ↳ testicular Tumors
- MRI, CT → essential in Early management of these Tumors

(B) Iso sexual: signs of Virilization (e.g.: Testicular enlargement)

→ a Central gonadotropin Dependant Type:

- True Precocious Puberty
- as a result of: premature release of (GnRH) and (FSH, LH) → Premature Release of Androgens → initiation of Spermatogenesis
- events are same as Normal puberty But occur in earlier age :-

→ Causes:

① Idiopathic

- No abnormality in CNS
- psychological, Social Trauma
- Short Stature Due to early epiphyseal closure D.t → excess androgen

② CNS disorders

- Organic most Common etiology
- ↳ [Hypothalamic Hamartoma]

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Idiopathic

- Mgmt:
 - exclusion of CNS abnormality
 - GnRH analog Therapy
 - ↳ GnRH analog → Bind to GnRH Receptors in Pituitary gland ⇒ Block pulsatile stimulation of these Receptors (By) abnormally Release of GnRH [e] Stoppage of Release of gonadotropins from pituitary.

CNS disorders

- The majority of children No Neurological manifest
- Some:
 - Delayed Speech
 - Delayed motor development
 - MRI → diagnostic
 - CNS Tumors:
 - ↳ Delayed puberty when Destroy Hypothalamus
 - ↳ Precocious puberty when they contain: - GnRH neurosecretory Cells

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Less Common Causes

- Congenital → long standing Hydrocephalus
- Traumatic → Trauma
- Inflammatory → meningitis
- neoplastic → Teratoma



Peripheral gonadotropin Independent:

[Pseudoprecocious puberty] False

• Causes:

① ↑↑ Adrenal Androgen

↳ (★) non-neoplastic = Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia

- most common Cause in Boys
- Mechanism:

↳ Deficiency in 21-hydroxylase enzyme OR 11-Hydroxylase enzyme

↳ The Boy present e: manifestations of puberty Before age 9 yrs:

- ↳ penile growth
- ↳ pubic Hair growth

↳ No Testicular enlargement

- Diagnosis: ① High conc. of specific Substrate [The target of the deficient enzymes]

↳ 17- α -Hydroxy-pragesterone (in 21-hydroxylase deficiency)

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↳ 11-deoxy-Cortisol
(in 11-hydroxylase deficiency)

② High Steroid Substrates → Can be
Suppressed By: Dexamethasone
administration

↳ its inhibitory effect on elevated
(ACTH)

↳ **Neoplastic conditions**

↳ **androgen secreting Adrenal
Tumors:-**

- occur at any age
- Benign or malignant
- associated w/ high levels of:-
Urinary 17-Ketosteroids

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② ↑↑ Testicular Androgen

④ **Non-neoplastic**
(testo. toxicosis)

- Familial
- Autosomal Dominant
- Gonadotrophin independent
(Low gonadotropins & High
Serum Testosterone)
- Mechanism → mutation of
genes encoding the LH
Receptors on the Leydig
Cells ⇒ produce:
Testosterone autonomously
in the absence of pituitary
LH

- treatment:

- 1 - Medroxyprogesterone
- 2 - Ketoconazole
(inhibit Testosterone synthesis)
- 3 - Spironolactone
(Block Testosterone Receptors)

④ **Neoplastic**

[androgen-secreting Leydig
Cell Tumours]

- incidence :- < 2% of testicular
Tumours

McCune-Albright syndrome

• Triad:

- ↳ Café-au-lait patches of skin
- ↳ Fibrous dysplasia of Bones
- ↳ GnRH independent precocious
puberty

• associated w/ other endocrine
abnormalities:-

- ↳ Hyperthyroidism
- ↳ Hyperparathyroidism
- ↳ Adrenal Hyperplasia

④ Caused By:

mutations in G protein on the
adenyl Cyclase Receptors \Rightarrow
Result in: \Rightarrow activation of adeny
Cyclase System

\uparrow
Hyperfunction of many
Hormone-Secreting tissues

• Premature adrenarche

- Some Boys show Benign -
Self-limited

- Adrenal production of:-

Dehydro-epiandrosterone
sulphate DHEA-S

\downarrow
Reach pubertal levels at early
age.

- No Testicular enlargement

- No Therapy Required.

- only periodic evaluation

II Delayed puberty:

A Physiological (Constitutional)

- chch By: Delay in the pubertal manifestations till
The age of 14 years (testicular volume < 4 mL)

- The Boy has No underlying pathology

- He will enter Spontaneously \Rightarrow into normal puberty

- Careful evaluation to exclude any cause for pubertal delay

- General management of any case of pubertal delay:

→ (a) Investigations and ~~ttt~~ of any underlying pathological cause

→ (b) After exclusion of underlying pathological cause and
Confirmation of Diagnosis of the Physiological Cause

\downarrow
The Boy will still need for active ttt i.e. androgen therapy
Because of the Following Reasons:-

1. The therapy \rightarrow will induce the development of 2ry Sex chch \rightarrow
Should not be delayed after the age of 14 yrs \Rightarrow to Save the Boy
from the severe Psychosexual, Social Trauma
2. The therapy will Not Disturb the final adult Height - Because
The height gain near puberty is relatively Small

3 - There is evidence of significantly Reduced Bone density in adults w/ past History of delayed puberty \rightarrow Could Not improved when the androgen therapy given Later in life

③ The therapy: intramuscular injection of Testosterone enanthate: 250mg every 4 weeks - for 3 months
 \downarrow leads to:

Development of 2ry Sex ch.ch + physical growth

- No effect on final adult height.
- Spontaneous puberty \rightarrow expected to occur 3 months after stoppage therapy
- treatment can be repeated \rightarrow if Spontaneous puberty did not occur.

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B Pathological (failed) : ⑤

- less common
- presence of \rightarrow underlying pathological cause.
- absence of \rightarrow spontaneous puberty

④ Classification according to underlying hormonal disturbances:-

1 Hypogonadotrophic Hypogonadism

① Hypothalamic Causes:

★ Hypothalamic Syndromes:

● Kallman Syndrome:

- Incidence: 1:10,000
- autosomal Recessive OR X-linked Recessive
- The gene responsible for X-linked form:-
[KALIG-1] \rightarrow Kallman Syndrome interval gene-1

⑥ - The Function of gene: to guide the migration of the GnRH neurons from their original site in the olfactory area to the hypothalamus during the intrauterine period

- The Syndrome Caused By:

Failure of this migration of these neurons to the hypothalamus (become devoid of them) with failure to secrete (GnRH)

- The same migratory defect affects the olfactory neurons & with failure of the formation of Olfactory bulb

- The end result of this syndrome is :-

- ↓↓ level of GnRH, FSH, LH
- The ptn failed puberty & testicular diameter less than 2cm
- Anosmia (defective sense of smell)
- Cleft lip - Cleft palate - Colour Blindness - Congenital deafness - Cryptorchidism - obesity - Osteopenia - gynecomastia

- The Treatment depends on:
Replacement therapy & pulsatile GnRH and Gonadotrophins

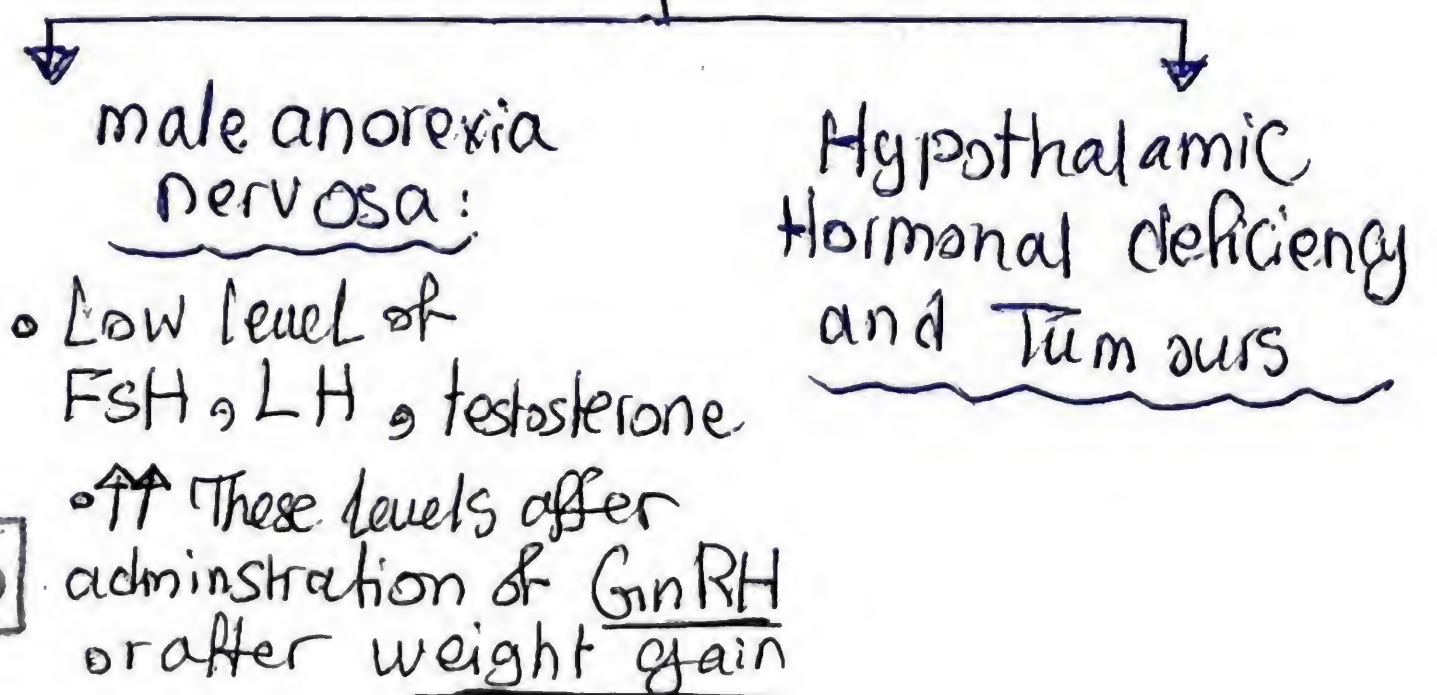
to ensure → normal puberty
→ normal fertility

⑦ Prader-Willi Syndrome ^{H3D Syndrome}

- Caused By: hypothalamic failure to produce GnRH.

- Ch. ch By: Failed puberty (hypogonadism)
hypomentia, hypotonia, Obesity

★ Other Hypothalamic Disorders:



⑥ Pituitary Causes:

★ Pituitary Tumours:

• Prolactinoma

• prolactin secreting adenoma of pituitary gland \Rightarrow Failed puberty if occur before puberty

• Infertility
• erectile Dysfunction

if occur after puberty

D.t Hyperprolactinemia

— may associated e.g.:-

Pancreatic, parathyroid Tumours \Rightarrow Form i

Familial multiple endocrine neoplasia (MEN) Syndrome

• Cranio-pharyngesma

— Arise at: The Junction between The anterior and posterior pituitary

— as it grows: it Compresses The pituitary gland \Rightarrow Pituitary Dysfunction with subsequent:-

Failed puberty

— Diagnosed By:-
MRI

★ Other pituitary Disorders: ⑦

• Generalized pituitary Dysfunction

as in: Cranial Irradiation

OR: Infiltration as in:- Tuberculosis Sarcoidosis, haemochromatosis

• Isolated Gonadotrophin deficiency

as in: Cases of \downarrow FSH

LH, and their \Rightarrow Biological inactivity

example:

"Fertile eunuch Syndrome"

\hookrightarrow Partial deficiency of LH

\downarrow
ptn have Spermatogenic activity may be Fertile.

\hookrightarrow This small amount of LH not sufficient for proper Development of Sexual ch. ch

⑧ 2 Hypergonadotrophic Hypogonadism

① Testicular Causes:-

● Klinefelter Syndrome:

- most common cause of testicular failure
- Result from: at least one extra X chromosome
- Karyotype: XXY
- eunuchoid features: present since Birth
- Other features:
 - Gynecomastia
 - Tall stature
 - Small firm testes of less than 2 cm in Diameter
- either Delayed or Failed puberty
- treatment depends on: Androgen replacement

● Other Causes of Primary Testicular Failure:

Trauma - infection - Irradiation -
Vanishing testis Syndrome

② Systemic Causes:-

- any chronic diseases During childhood
→ leads to: Delayed puberty independent of any Direct affection of the pituitary-gonadal axis.

→ Examples:

↳ malignancy - Regional enteritis -
Rheumatoid arthritis - uncontrolled diabetes
malnutrition - Renal - Cardiac failure
Cytotoxic Chemotherapy

③ Management of pathological puberty

① Diagnostic Measures:-

1. Clinically → No testicular enlargement on repeated examinations every (3-6m)

2. Laboratory →

level of FSH, LH, prolactin &
Testosterone → Reveal the Case of

Hypergonadotropic failed puberty →
if :- The FSH, LH are → High

- Low levels → Can't distinguish Between
Physiological and pathological level.

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In these pts → Repeated estimation
over (6-12 m) → will show:

→ Rise in their levels only in the
group of Boys & Delayed puberty

Not in those with Failed puberty

→ These Boys will show → Nocturnal
Rise of the LH levels

3- GnRH test → By the GnRH analogue
which causes → Rise in FSH, LH
in Boys & Delayed puberty.

→ Reduce Response in the
boys & Failed puberty. 83

4- HCG Stimulation test ⇒ 9
measure the testosterone level after
HCG injection
↳ to test for the presence & absence
of Functioning Testicular tissue.

2 Therapeutic Measures:

- 1- treatment of any underlying Cause
- 2- Androgen Replacement Therapy → for pts
& pathological failed Puberty
- needed for Long periods
- 3- Standard Regimens:-
 - ↳ intramuscular injection of Testosterone
enanthate 100mg at 6 weeks interval
For the 1st yr
- ↑↑ to 100mg at 4 weeks interval in
The 2nd yr
- 250 mg every 4 weeks → in 3rd yr.
 - ↳ Monitoring Bone age at 6 M interval
(androgen therapy will Not disturb The Fertility)

Erectile Dysfunction

★ Psychogenic ED :-

- ED :: persistent inability to obtain or to maintain penile erection sufficient for satisfactory sexual relations = Impotence
- 90% of ptn e ED → psychogenic
- 10% of ED → underlying organic
- Recent Diagnostic procedures →
Organic factors up to 50%
Psychogenic 50%
- in Reality → most ptn have Combination of Both.
→ explained By the profound impact of ED on the well-being of most men w/ ever the Cause.
- Example:-
If ptn have severe Occlusive Vascular Disorder → Organic Cause

- he may also have severe performance anxiety OR 2ry loss of desire → D.t Repeated failure and Frustration Resulting from ED

1 Etiological Aspects :-

A Master and Johnson's classification:-

a. Developmental Factors :

1- Maternal OR paternal dominance :
the abnormal dominance By one parent
→ lead to :- abnormal sense of adequacy
Because :- lack of Respective father figure.
→ failure of identification e Dominant

② 2- Conflicted parent-child Relationship

3- -ve Parents attitude toward sex

4- Traumatic childhood sexual Experience: punishment Dit infantile masturbation

5- Traumatic first Coital experience with a prostitute

6- Homosexuality: The female figure is Not exciting for him

7- Gender identity Disorders:

- Gender identity is the inner feeling of being a male or female.

- It Develops as a Reaction to the type of rearing or upbringing of the child

- It may be disturbed in some families who rear their Boys as girls.

b. Cognitive Factors

1- Sexual ignorance + misconcepts

2- Religious orthodoxy

c. Affective (neurotic) Factors

1- Anxiety: • very common Cause

• anxiety about the penile size, the erection
The performance, the ability to satisfy partners

2- Depression:

• associated & inhibit Sexual Desire

3- Phobia:

• Pregnophobia: fear of impregnating the female partner

• Venerophobia: fear of catching venereal disease

• Feminophobia: fear of any contact & female.

d. Interpersonal Factors :-

1- Poor Communications:

• very important cause of ED. • The female may be Non-cooperative

• She may be a dominant and over directing female

2- Lack of physical attraction:-

• most males attracted By certain features in the female:-

↳ Somatic:- Body Built, eye color

↳ psychological ↳ Behavioural

↳ Inanimate :- as dressing

3-Divergent Sexual preference:-

- The male may Demand Certain abnormal Criteria in the female ↳ Dressing ↳ attitude
- This may be Not found in his wife
- This occur in male & premarital relations with prostitutes

4-Hostility:

- absence of love and good personal Relationship Between the partners

5-Disgust:-

- when female partner neglect her personal Hygiene → lead to :- inhibited Sexual arousal

B. Lue's classification:-

- Type 1 :- Anxiety :- → performance anxiety

→ Sexual phobias → widower's syndrome

- Type 2 :- Depression :- Drugs, Diseases associated & Depression

- Type 3 :- Marital Disorders :- Conflicts and disturbance in marital relationships

- Type 4 :- Misinformation

Sexual ignorance about the anatomy or physiology of Sex → inhibit ED

This more apparent when male is ignorant about the Normal or physiological changes in his erection with age → So he develop severe performance anxiety

- Type 5 :- Psychotic Disorder

apparent in personality Disorders, Sexual Perversions, Psychiatric Disease.

Widower's Syndrome

- male over 50 yr • had prolonged period of absent Sexual activity in Conjunction Lengthy and Fatal illness of his wife (as Cancer) →

- During this period → his wife become more dependening on him because of her illness.
+ he had sexual inhibitions and avoided to do the marital Relations with his Sick wife
- After his wife Dies → He gets married to another wife.
[he usually complain of psychogenic ED]

(C) Mechanism of Psychogenic ED

- The following 2 mechanism may Partially explain the Controversial issue about (not all males with these etiological factor Develop psychogenic ED)

① Central mechanism:

Psychogenic ED → Result from inhibition of the spinal erection Centers →

Resulting from exaggerated supraspinal inhibition

② Peripheral mechanism:

Ptn of psychogenic ED → may have Significant High levels of → Serum Norepinephrine than in the normal control.

2 Diagnostic Aspects

① Classical approach:

- Classic scheme for all ptn of ED not only for psychogenic ED.

① Start Diagnosis of Detailed History :-
Detailed physical examination (general-genital)

② then → Differentiate Between Organic and psychogenic Factors

Done By: ICI Test.

- nocturnal monitoring of erection By RigiScan

③ Detect the Cause of ED :-

↳ Complete medical & endocrinal investigations to detect any systemic disease or endocrinopathy

↳ Neurophysiological study → for detection of neurological causes.

④ penile arteries evaluation :-

↳ Duplex examination

↳ arteriography

↳ Carotidography - Carotidography for penile veins evaluation.

⑤ Should noted that there is NO single test that is Completely accurate in the diagnosis of ED

⑥ The first Golden Rule is to perform a battery of multiple tests → For the proper Diagnosis of ED

⑦ The 2nd Golden Rule in the Diagnosis of ED Based on the findings of who demonstrated

that History and physical examination Have 95%. ⑤

Sensitivity in Diagnosing Organic ED. ↳ Specificity 50%.

So Detailed and careful History and examination → will Direct the physician to the most useful and economic investigation

and eliminate the performance of unnecessary, expensive or invasive tests

↳ Due to their very High Sensitivity (95%) in suspecting the aetiology of ED.

② ptn's Goal Directed Approach :

① First level investigations are Done for Every ptn that ~~have~~ include: medical, psychosexual History

② Examination and Basic laboratory investigations

③ Followed By → Discussion of available non-specific therapeutic options:

↳ Oral, intraurethral Drugs
↳ Sex therapy

④ if the ptn Satisfied of any of those therapeutic modalities → NO further workup to be Done.

⑤ If ptn's Goal → is to detect and treat the exact Cause of his ED

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The 2nd level investigations will Be Done → all the investigations in classical approach

⑥ the value of this alternative Approach → that is Directed mainly By the goals or the needs of each individual ptn is to save a Large group of ptns w/ ED From unnecessary expensive

and invasive investigations.

a. Detailed History :-

1- Medical History :

* Age: tripled from 5% to 15% Between age of 40 and 70 yr.

* Behavior:- alcoholism → lead to ED
opiates addiction → lead to ED

* Cigarette Smoking:- in ptns Heart Disease smoking associated w/ Complete ED

* Diseases + Drugs:- Heart D, Diabetes Hypertension, many Drugs → associated w/ ED

② Psychosexual History :-

• Sexual Development + education

• Erectile Dysfunction

• Other Sexual Dysfunctions:-

↳ Desire Disorders
↳ ejaculatory Disorders
↳ Orgasmic Disorder
↳ Female partner sexual dysfunction
↳ Sexual Pain

• DD between :

	Psychogenic	Organic
- Onset	Acute	Gradual
- Circumstance	situational	Global
- Course	variable	Constant
- non-coital erection	Rigid	Poor
- psycho-sexual problem	Long History	2ry
- Partner Problem	at the onset	2ry
- Anxiety	1ry	2ry

• Psychometry :

- Specialized type of questionnaires that help to study and Detect specific psychosexual disorders.

• Important Psychometric tests

include the following 3 test :

1 - Minnesota Multiphasic personality ^⑦ Inventory :-

- For detection of personality Disorders

2 - Beck Depression Inventory :-

- For detection of depression disorder

3 - Short marital adjustment test :-

- to Detect marital Disorders

• Morning erection :-

- Sleep-associated erections that may be felt by the ptn in the morning → give an impression of intact erectile mechanism and the ED is mostly Psychogenic

- The reliance on his finding may be misleading as the ptn may feel tumescence But the Rigidity is Not enough for Coitus

↳ in this case → The ptn wrongly Diagnosed as Psychogenic ED

- Some men may have intact morning erection But they are Not aware of them → they are wrongly Diagnosed as Organic ED

② b. Detailed Examination:-

1. General examination:-

• Detection of medical or surgical disorders

- Blood pressure - peripheral pulses
- detect the fitness of ptn for possible surgical till for his ED

• Detection of Hormonal Disorders:-

- Abscent or underdeveloped 2ry sex ch. ch
↳ indicate Low androgen level

- The following is noted:-

↳ Temporal Hair Recession and
The moustache, the Beard, the Body Hairs

↳ The Body proportions:- show
eunuchoidal OR Hypogonadal features

that is defined as:- The Span

(The distance Between the stretched arms)

• 5cm OR more in excess of the Height
and the Lower Body segment (Distance
from the soles to pubis) • 2 cm
OR more in excess of the upper

Body segment (Distance from head to pubic)

- these abnormal proportions Result from:-

↳ Delayed fusion of Long bone epiphyses
Due to Low androgen level

- There may be Gynecomastia

- There may be Anosmia in ptn e-
Kallaman Syndrome.

2. Genital Examination:-

• Penoscrotal examination:-

- The penis is inspected for → Size

↳ site of urethral meatus

- palpated for → tenderness OR plaques

- gently stretched

- The Scrotum examined for:-

↳ large hemias ↳ Hydracele

↳ Testicular size (Reduced in ptn e-
Hypogonadism)

● Prostatic examination :

- Digital Rectal examination of prostate is essential step → to assess the prostatic size + consistency

⊛ If there is benign prostatic hyperplasia

- ↳ Urine flow rate is determined.
- ↳ The pt is warned that the Androgen Therapy may lead to → Flow obstruction

⊛ most important is to find prostatic nodules

- ↳ possibility of early prostatic cancer
- ↳ prostatic specific Antigens (PSA) should be estimated as a serum marker for prostatic cancer

- ↳ prostatic biopsy under transrectal ultrasound control.

↳ Androgen Therapy is Absolutely Contraindicated → to avoid flaring of the existing prostatic carcinoma

● Preservation of reflexes and Sensations :

- Initial Screening for Reflexes and sensation in the genital area. Done by the following :-

↳ Scrotal Reflex :-

- application of Cold object to the Scrotum → Contraction of the dartos muscle at that side

↳ Cremasteric Reflex :

- Stroking of the upper thigh → Contraction of cremasteric muscle at that side
- Testicular elevation

↳ Superficial anal Reflex :-

- Stroking of the perianal skin → Contraction of the superficial anal sphincter

↳ Deep anal Reflex :-

- Introduction of the gloved finger into anus → Contraction of Deep anal sphincter

↳ Bulbo Cavernous Reflex :

- Squeezing of the glans penis → Contraction and tightening of anal sphincter

C Differentiation Between Organic and Psychogenic Factors :-

① Intracavernous injection (ICI) test (Real time erection monitoring).

- The pt'n e' Psychogenic ED → have normal Response. During this test
- pt'n e' Organic ED → Have abnormal OR NO Response
- The ICI Test → may give abnormal Results in some pt'n e' Psychogenic ED. Due to excessive psychic stress
- about 20% of pt'n e' arterial Causes For ED → may give Normal Results During ICI test

② Nocturnal erection monitoring :-

↳ ① Sleep laboratory monitoring

- The normal men has nocturnal erections
- During sleep → the psychological Factors

may interfer e erection During ~~sleep~~ (10)
The Day time → are absent

- SO → monitoring these nocturnal erections → Help to Differentiate Organic from Psychogenic ED

- The initial Formal testing was performed in Specialized sleep laboratory :-

↳ including sleep monitoring By :-

- ↳ electroencephalogram
- ↳ electrooculogram
- ↳ electromyogram

• to exclude sleep Disorders as → sleep apnea
↳ the effect of anxiety → nocturnal myoclonus
OR Depression on sleep.

• all these Disorders may lead to False Results

• erection monitoring methods :-

1. ↳ stamps
2. ↳ snap gauge Bands wrapped around the penis to break at certain points at penile Tumescence

3. \rightarrow Intermittent Rigidity Test \rightarrow
waking the ptn During nocturnal erection
and measuring the external axial Force
against the glans penis \Rightarrow leads to
buckling (collapse of erection)

- The High costs of sleep laboratory testing
and the unnatural waking of ptn from
sleep \Rightarrow leading to \rightarrow Anxiety that
interferes with the Results. are the major

Disadvantages \uparrow

- they can't detect the frequency and
Duration of the nocturnal erection episodes

\rightarrow RigiScan monitoring :-

- Advantages :- monitoring the Rigidity
and tumescence of the penis

• The number and the Duration of each
nocturnal erection

• The first night effect : means disturbed
sleep in the first night that necessitates
3 nights monitoring is Relatively less
with RigiScan as compared to the formal
sleep laboratory

• its Ambulatory nature obviates
the need for formal sleep laboratory
as it's more economic, Convenient

• Consist of the following :-

(a) Data Logging unit :-

• Strapped to the ptn's thigh During sleep
with its 2 Loops. placed around the Base
and the tip of the penis

• These 2 Loops are Designed for continuous
measuring of changes in the penile Tumescence
and Rigidity During Night upto 10 hrs

(b) MicroComputer + printer :-

The Data from the first unit are
introduced and printed in graphic form

- The Normal finding of RigiScan monitoring in potent males OR male è Psychogenic ED include the following:-

- 1- The number of erection per night (about 4-5 episodes)
 - 2- Duration of each one more than 30 minutes
 - 3- $\uparrow\uparrow$ in penile Circumference (Tumescence) of more than 3cm at the Base and 2cm at the tip and more than 70% Rigidity at Both the tip and the Base
- these findings may show variations in → Advancing Age è Reduced erection

- The Abnormal Finding in RigiScan in males è organic ED include following:-

- 1- Abscent erectile episodes
- 2- Shortened erectile episodes
- 3- Low amplitude of Rigidity

4- Dissociation of Rigidity Between the tip and the Base of the penis

5- UnCoupling Between Rigidity and Tumescence.

- The Disadvantages of RigiScan:- are apparent in some ptns who show Abnormal finding despite of the Absence of Organic Causes for their ED.

→ This may be Caused By: \rightarrow anxiety ① \rightarrow Depression ②

③ \rightarrow other sleep Related Disorders as
→ sleep apnea
→ nocturnal myoclonus

- RigiScan may show Normal finding in some ptns è Mild ED Because:- it measures the Radial Rigidity and Not axial Rigidity → That may Sometimes Show poor relation to each other

- In Conclusion:- RigiScan can be very Useful Device specially when Show Normal Findings in ptn & suspected Psychogenic Causes → to Confirm the Clinical Diagnosis

→ Because it can save all those ptns from unnecessary, expensive and invasive vascular investigations

- It shows Abnormal Finding in ptns & it is Confusing Clinical Diagnosis

→ Formal Sleep Laboratory Study may indicated to exclude:- Sleep Disorders

d. Detection of the Underlying Causes:- (later)

3 Therapeutic Aspects:- ⁽¹³⁾

(A) Master & Johnson principle of Sex Therapy:-

a. Basic principles:-

- Sex :- not only mean intercourse or part of Reproductive purpose, it can be exciting and Satisfying.
- Sex :- is Not something that man does ~~to~~ women it's something that man + women doing Together
- The Causes of Sexual Dysfunction :- are common and Not Related usually to deep psychopathology
- The origin and Causes of Sexual Dysfunction:- Can't be always detected - But the ttt can be proceed Successfully
- Using Past Feelings + Behaviour to predict :- The underlying Causes :- is Not helpful as it may limit the freedom to change

• There is No such thing as Uninvolved partner when Sexual Dysfunction exist

• it's Not Useful to blame the pln or partner about:- his or her Responsibility

• Assuming the Responsibility to onself rather than Delegating this Responsibility to one's partner → often effective in Correction of the Sexual Dysfunction

• Sex : Highly intimate Form of Communication and relationship

So → it's Highly Related to the other aspects of Relationship Between partners

• Developing the awareness of the feeling of other partner → will improve their Relationship

• The presence of Both partners During the therapeutic sessions → help the therapist to detect many aspects of their relationships.

b. Basic techniques

• Cotherapy - Dual therapy → there are 2 therapists (male - female) that are dealing with the couple as male partner → Communicate easily & The male therapist and female → Communicate easily & female therapist.

• Coordinated Therapy → The coordination Between the Andrologist and psychiatrist.

• The starting sessions include:

↳ Detailed History

↳ Physical examination

(The therapist can detect some sexual conflicts or wrong ideas of the partners)

• Sensate Focus sessions :- Started

— Sensate focus → Based on the principle that almost all sexual Dysfunction are Varying Degrees of Anxiety of performance →

that may worsen The sexual Dysfunction.
Leading to → more Anxiety

- the Aim of sensate Focus instructions:-
to allow → gradual sexual exposure
to help → the partners to Concentrate
on Sexual sensations and satisfaction
Rather than sexual Performance

↓
↓ performance anxiety & pressures.

- The therapists → give Instructions
to couples along sessions to perform
Sensate focus program at their Home
as follows:

- Sensate Focus I:- The partners are
instructed to Stimulate each other By
kissing - pitting - Caressing But e^x
complete exclusion to Genital area
- Concentrate only → on satisfaction
and pleasure with free communication
so that each partner can guide

the other one about the excitatory (5)
and inhibitory behavior

● Sensate Focus II:-

The same previous step But her Genital
Stimulation is Allowed
But Intromission Not Allowed.

C. Specific Techniques:-

- after complete above steps → Intromission
is allowed → if the female feels that there
is Rigid Reaction only.

- During this stage → The female instructed
To gently stimulate the penis if erection
Started to be less Rigid → still it become Rigid again

→ The Aim of this important step is to →
Assure the male that he can Regain his
erection many times even after He lost it.

- when intromission is allowed → It
Should be in (Female Superior position)

and she can guide the penis in her vagina → to ~~to~~ his performance pressures and Anxiety → Helping him to stop his Spectator role about his erection.

- Intercourse is stopped Before the orgasm reached During this stage By Manual Stimulation

- Finally: intercourse may be allowed up to orgasm in the female Superior Then in male Superior position.

(B) Kaplan's principles of Sex Therapy:

- Kaplan introduced The Concept of inhibited Sexual desire that is more difficult to treat as it's usually associated with deeply-seated psychopathology.

- Kaplan stated That Sex therapy is effective in sexual problems Caused By Mild

or superficial level of anxiety and conflict

- For Deep level conflicts → more prolonged and deeper form of Sex Therapy.

(C) Behavioural Therapy

- it depends on:- the principles of Master and Johnson with Few differences

as → its more Concentration of desensitization Techniques (to Reduce the anxiety)

• Relaxation Techniques (specific Breathing + muscle exercises to Reduce the tension)

(D) physical lines of Therapy

• Some oral erectogenic Drugs as

- Sildenafil (viagra)
- phentolamine (Vasomax)
- yohimbin

- may be effective in some ptns with psychogenic ED

• ICI Therapy in some ptns w/ Recent psychogenic ED → Due to :- Anxiety

↳ may help those ptns By enabling Them to Perform intercourse and enhancing their Self Confidence & decreasing their anxiety

Old concept of performing Prostatic Smear → For the number of pus cells and exposing the already stressed ptn w/ ED to (Hard-lengthy-unhuman sessions of Prostatic massage and prolonged Harmful Antibiotics should be discouraged and condemned.

- Unfortunately → This is still practical By a lot of Specialists

- It's neither ethical nor Scientific to Continue To Do these historical Procedures in mgmt of ptn w/ ED

★ Endocrinal ED ::

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- progressive ↓↓ in the Free Testosterone level $\hat{=}$ age
 - associated $\hat{=}$ ↓↓ libido
 - ↓↓ frequency of erections
 - ↑↑ incidence of ED

• The Different endocrinopathies Related to ED → Classified according to level of endocrine glands as follows:-

- Hypothalamic Disorders
- pituitary Disorders
- Thyroid Disorders
- pancreatic Disorders
- Testicular Disorders

Ⓐ Hypothalamic Disorders:

- may lead to Hypogonadotropic Hypogonadism Ch. 7

Ⓑ Pituitary Disorders:

Lead to → Hypogonadotropic hypogonadism [10]

OR → Hyperprolactinemia

→ if Hyperprolactinemia → is an Early manifestation of Pituitary Tumours.

→ associated $\hat{=}$ → loss of libido
→ gynecomastia.

→ will lead to → Low Testosterone level
Through the inhibitory effect of prolactin on GnRH

→ The main effect of Hyperprolactinemia → ↓↓ Sexual Desire and the associated ED is either psychogenic or 2ry to Loss of desire

Ⓒ Thyroid Disorders:-

★ Hyperthyroidism ★

- $\hat{=}$ clinical manifestations as

→ weight loss → Heat intolerance
→ Tachycardia

② - Laboratory evidence of High tri-iodothyronine (T_3) and tetra iodothyronine (T_4)
Low Thyroid Stimulating Hormone (TSH)

- The Causes of ED include :-

- High (SHBG) \rightarrow Low level of free bioavailable Testosterone - (Although total level is Normal)
- High Oestrogen \rightarrow Duets $\uparrow\uparrow$ peripheral aromatization of Testosterone into estrogen.

- The End Result is :
 - \rightarrow $\downarrow\downarrow$ sexual Desire
 - \rightarrow Gynecomastia
 - \rightarrow ED

- The treatment :- Directed to Treat Hyperthyroidism By medical or surgical methods.

- Androgen Replacement \rightarrow Not effective and may aggravate the gynecomastia

- Hyperthyroidism and Androgen Resistance Syndrome are 2 conditions in which endocrine ED is Not associated \rightarrow Low androgen level
this is explained By $\downarrow\downarrow$ free testosterone in Case of Hyperthyroidism, $\downarrow\downarrow$ Action of testosterone in Case of androgen resistance

★ Hypothyroidism ★ ②

- Clinical manifestations :

- weight gain • bradycardia
- Cold intolerance

- Laboratory evidence :

Low T_3 , T_4 . High TSH

- The Causes of ED :

High prolactin level

- This Hyperprolactinemia Related to High level of the Hypothalamic thyrotropin releasing Hormone (TRH)

\swarrow
produced to Stimulate the Secretion of TSH, T_3 , T_4

- The treatment depends on:
Replacement therapy with **L-thyroxine** ..

D Pancreatic Disorders:- DM

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★ Incidence & presentation in DM:

① DM is the most common endocrinologic Disorder That Cause ED Through:-

↳ neurological ↳ Vascular ↳ endothelial
↳ Psychogenic Complications

② The incidence of ED → 3 times Higher in the diabetic males than in non-diabetic

③ The incidence of ED ↑ from 15% at age 30 yrs to 50% at age of 60 yr among the diabetic males

4- The Risk Factors associated with Higher incidence of ED among the diabetics:-

↳ Age of ptn ↳ alcohol intake
↳ Duration of DM ↳ Retinopathy
↳ neuropathy ↳ intermittent claudications

④ The Clinical presentation in ED DM:-
as follows:

• Sexual Desire → preserved
• gradual ↓↓ in Rigidity of erection Followed By
↓↓ in the frequency of morning erection

• 2ry psychological stress may aggravate the condition and transform it from partial ED to Complete ED

• ED in diabetics associated with Retrograde ejaculation Not → Bladder in competence as a Result of diabetic neuropathy

• Diabetic males may present with Abnormal nocturnal erection studies despite that they have normal Gital Reaction

• Less Common Forms may occur in ED:-

↳ Acute onset of ED associated with at the same time with poor diabetic control and severe diabetic symptoms as:

- Hunger - Thirst - polyurea
- weight loss

- ④ • it may be associated to loss of desire
 ↳ This type ch·ch By :- Rapid improvement in the erection and desire → Once the diabetes is controlled
 & this Reversible type of ED is different from the Classical ED among the diabetics which is ch·ch By being :- Reversible only in 8.5% of them
 (Even after Diabetic control)

★ Pathogenesis of ED in DM

1- Neurological Factors:

- ED in DM may be related to diabetic Somatic and autonomic neuropathy.
- usually associated to :- neuropathic Bladder Dysfunction as the nerves of the penis + Bladder have common origin

2- Vascular Factors:

- Different types of vasculopathy may lead to Diabetic ED

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 - The first type: Diabetic Microangiopathy
ch·ch ↳ thickening of the Basement membrane of the small Blood vessels → Stenosis

- Atherosclerosis :- Due to associated Hypercholesterolemia.

- arteriosclerosis :- Not associated HTN

3- Cavernous Factors :-

- ↓↓ neurotransmitters levels in the Cavernous Tissue as VIP - NO
- ↑↑ Corporeal smooth muscle tone that prevent proper sinusoidal wall Relaxation

4- Metabolic Factors :-

- The pathological effect of tissue glycosylation By the advanced glycosylated products → may lead to ED in the diabetics

5- Psychological Factors :-

- Partial ED :- Cause severe performance anxiety leading to Complete ED

★ Management of diabetic impotence:

① Diagnosis:

- according to classical diagnostic approach
- special emphasis is made on the diagnosis of some specific diabetic complications:
 - ↳ Retinopathy
 - ↳ nephropathy
- as predictor for diabetic ED
- investigations for neurologic + vascular causes of ED

② Treatment:

① Early Stage ; (Prevention Better Than Cure)

- * Strict Diabetic Control is essential preventive line of etc, as this control leads to marked Reduction in the incidence and progression of Both
 - ↳ microangiopathy
 - ↳ neuropathy.

- The Value of this control is to prevent

⑤ The occurrence of ED as once the Organic diabetic ED is developed → Irreversible

- Sex Therapy helps to ↓↓ anxiety and improve some pts

② Late Stage of the disease

* The pt who shows → Organic ED By investigations → Can try first non-invasive Therapy

— if the Response is unsatisfactory → They can shift to ICI Therapy

— if there still No Response → penile Implant operations.

↳ This operation associated with 2 complications

- 1st → greater liability of Erosion and Extrusion of the Device if there is Sever Neuropathy

↳ prevented By: Avoidance of implantation of Too Long Device.

- 2nd → greater liability for infection.
- ⑥ → prevented By • Strict Aseptic Conditions
 - proper Diabetic Control
- That Better evaluated By glycosylated Haemoglobin estimation.

⑤ Adrenal Disorders :-

Hyperadrenalism

- High level of Cortisol → Caused By :-
 - ↳ Cushing disease 2ry to pituitary Tumors
 - ↳ exogenous glucocorticoid intake
- The phn present e.g.
 - ↳ moon face ↳ trunkal obesity
 - ↳ Low Sexual desire ↳ ED
- The ED → may be Caused By :- pituitary Dysfunction Resulting From :-
 - ↳ pituitary Tumour OR

- ↳ From Direct effect of cortisol
- ↳ Direct inhibitory effect of Cortisol on Testicular Function
- The treatment should Directed toward the Cause of ↑↑ Cortisol level

Hypoadrenalism

- Adrenal insufficiency → Causes Generalized debilitated state
 - ↳ That interfere e. normal Sexual Function
- The phn present e.g. Rapid Loss of 2ry Sex ch. ch
 - Fatigue • weight loss
 - Hypotension
- Both Testicular + adrenal Function tests should be Done in Those Cases

F Testicular Disorders:

- many Congenital - acquired conditions lead to → Primary Testicular Failure.
OR → Primary Hypogonadism

- ↓↓ Androgens → may Related to Advanced age.

- The Basic Rule is that Androgen Replacement therapy is Not effective in improving sexual Desire and performance. ☹

except: in pt'n w/ Documented androgen deficiency

- Oral and injectable Androgens → are Not physiological ways in delivering androgen

- New Transdermal Androgen delivery system ⑦
may be more physiological as they produce → Serum levels similar to The normal biological rhythms

polyglandular Autoimmune disease:

- autoimmune Disease → Transmitted as an autosomal Dominant Disease with Circulatory Antibodies against many endocrine glands That Cause multiple endocrine Failure

- less common in male

- in addition to Testicular Failure > there may be

- Hypothyroidism

- Hypoparathyroidism

- Insulin Dependant DM

- The Disease Has been differentiated from Panhypopituitarism.